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SUBJECT: UGANDA SHILLINGS

REF: (A) STATE 138430 (1977) (B) BONN 12473 (1976)
(C) BONN 4727 (1977)

1. OPIC WOULD APPRECIATE INFO AS TO ANY RESPONSE RECEIVED
TO QUESTION POSED IN REF (A). AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR SALE
NOW TOTALS 6.5 MILLION SHILLINGS BUT PURCHASE OF LESSER
AMOUNTS WOULD BE ENTIRELY ACCEPTABLE.

2. CAN FRG EMBASSY/KAMPALA QUERY ATTORNEY RECOMMENDED REF
(B) PARA 2 RE WHETHER HE STILL AVAILABLE TO (A) REPRESENT
OPIC IN OBTAINING FOREIGN EXCHANGE APPROVAL FROM GOVERNMENT
OF UGANDA FOR TRANSFER OF SHILLINGS NOW HELD IN ACCOUNT IN
STANDARD BANK, KAMPALA, UNDER NAME TAW INTERNATIONAL
LEASING CORPORATION TO ENTITY MAINTAINING UGANDA RESIDENT
ACCOUNT (SUCH AS FRG OR UN) FOR USE BY SUCH ENTITY IN
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UGANDA (I.E., THERE WOULD BE NO DIRECT CONVERSION OF
SHILLINGS TO DOLLARS; FRG OR UN WOULD, ON OTHER TRANSACTION
EXTERNAL TO UGANDA, CREDIT USG WITH DOLLAR EQUIVALENT OF
THE SHILLINGS TRANSFERRED), AND (B) MAKE TO STANDARD BANK,
TO UGANDA COURT OR TO OTHER ENTITY WHATEVER REPRESENTATIONS
(INCLUDING PROVING NEW YORK STATE SUPREME COURT JUDGMENT
DECLARING RBA PROPERTY OF CREDITORS) ARE NECESSARY TO

PERSUADE STANDARD BANK TO RELEASE FUNDS TO OPIC OR ITS
NOMINEE WITHOUT TAW SIGNATURE. (SEE REF C).

3. ATTORNEY SHOULD BE INFORMED (A) THAT PLAINTIFF-
PETITIONER IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE APPLICATION AND/OR BANK
ACTION CAN BE CANADIAN, FRENCH OR OTHER NATIONALITY IF
THAT WOULD IMPROVE CHANCES OF SUCCESS; AND (B) THAT
TAW CREDITORS HAVE ALREADY APPLIED THROUGH KENYA COUNSEL
FOR EXCHANGE APPROVAL SO THAT ATTORNEY SERVICES MAY
BE NEEDED PRIMARILY IN DEALING WITH BANK. NEVERTHELESS
IF EXCHANGE APPLICATION IS NOT INITIALLY SUCCESSFUL
HIS ASSISTANCE WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED ON THAT MATTER;
AND (C) THAT A FRESH QUOTE OF FEES FOR THE SERVICES
OUTLINED WOULD BE HELPFUL.

4. FYI, THE QUOTE RBA UNQUOTE REFERRED TO PARA 2 IS
RESTRICTED BANK ACCOUNT, I.E., ACCOUNT IN TAW'S NAME AT
STANDARD BANK, KAMPALA. OPIC APPRECIATES POSTS
CONTINUING ASSISTANCE THIS MATTER. CHRISTOPHER

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